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Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the Tampa Harbor General Reevaluation Report for fiscal year 2022. The entity to receive funding for this project Port Tampa Bay located at 1101 Channelside Dr. Tampa, FL 33602. This project is a valuable use of taxpayer funds because Port Tampa Bay is a critical economic engine for the region, responsible (in 2019) for a \$17.2 billion impact and supporting more than 85,000 direct and indirect jobs. A deeper draft will enable Port Tampa Bay to sustain the continued growth in global commerce, therefore furthering economic development and jobs growth for west central Florida and the State of Florida. I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Kathy Castor

U.S. Representative

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